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## RUDOLPH GANZ IS PLEASED WITH MEXICO

"I feel that our tour has had a most excellent beginning in Mexico. The audiences today were as attentive and appreciative as any we have ever played before. When one considers that many were hearing their first symphony concert this is all the more remarkable. I feel the orchestra has made new friends in Mexico and hope we shall have the pleasure to play for many times. I thought St. Louis had 750,000 people but I found that Mexico there were only 7,000 there. Relatively speaking don't you think Mexico with 7,000 population is doing fully as well as St. Louis. You should be proud of Mexico."—Rudolph Ganz to a Ledger representative Monday night.

A packed house greeted the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra at its second appearance here Monday evening. The balcony and first floor were crowded with the exception of a few seats on the first row and many stood in the back of the auditorium during the entire program.

The concert began promptly and from 8:15 until 10:30 the large audience was completely under the spell of the pleasure of hearing a perfectly balanced orchestra play as one man under the almost magic sway of Rudolph Ganz, the conductor.

The program given contained a sufficient variety to please everyone. Max Steindel the solo cellist, who had so greatly pleased the afternoon audience did not play and Michael Guskoff, violinist, was the only soloist. After his number which was the "Spanish Symphony" for violin and orchestra by Lalo, he was given such enthusiastic applause that he was forced to respond to an encore, the only one that was played during the entire evening although the audience was most appreciative and heartily applauded each number. In his encore Mr. Guskoff played alone without the background of orchestra accompaniment.

Ten stages at Hardin is barely large enough for as large an orchestra but was arranged so well Monday night that it did not appear crowded and the tone volume was so finely shaded that from any part of the auditorium the music was not too loud.

In the last number of the Overture to Tannhauser an idea was given of the wonderful volume of which the organization is capable.

The effect of the last two numbers was slightly marred for those in the back by a number from the balcony leaving. These were probably those from other towns who were afraid they would miss their trains if they remained until the concert was over.

The large numbers from other places who came to Mexico for the concert was shown by the crowded condition of the hotels and restaurants.

People of Mexico feel that the attempt to bring this noted musical organization here has been a big success and those connected with the orchestra voice the same opinion.

"I would like to see us open our tour every season in Mexico," said Arthur T. Gaines, manager of the Symphony to a Ledger representative Monday night. "I want to tell you that George May of Hardin College, has done a big thing for Mexico in a musical way this year, and we feel deeply indebted to him for our splendid reception here. The unusual co-operation extended Mr. May by the Chamber of Commerce was exceptional and means that the Mexico spirit will take you far."

The receipts for the two concerts here have not yet been totaled but it is generally believed that they will be sufficient to cover all expenses.

There will be a small surplus after paying all expenses for the symphony orchestra, according to Prof. George May of Hardin College. There is now about \$70 after practically all bills are paid and there is still some money to be turned in.

The orchestra played in Columbia Tuesday and was greeted by large audiences. Mr. Ganz in comparing the audiences in Columbia and Mexico said that since student bodies of the university and other schools there were organized through sororities and fraternities which in some instances came in bodies he felt that the crowd which heard the concert here paid the orchestra a higher compliment by their attendance.

Mr. Ganz also said that he was looking forward with pleasure to returning to Mexico early in May for his piano recital which will be the

## NEWSPAPER MEN TO MEET HERE MAR. 24

A meeting of the newspaper men of Audrain and surrounding counties will be held in Mexico March 24. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the problems now confronting the members of the journalistic profession with J. S. Hubbard, recently elected executive secretary of the Missouri Press Association.

Meetings of this character are being held all over the State. There will be one at Moberly Saturday and one at Hannibal March 25.

Those who attend the meeting here will be guests of the local Chamber of Commerce at luncheon at which time they will be entertained by students from Hardin and Missouri Military Academy.

## KIAWANIS CLUB WILL ORGANIZE

A movement is on foot in Mexico to establish a Kiwanis Club. This is one of the most popular organizations of its kind in the country and is always to the front in civic work.

The Kiwanis Club is an organization whose purpose is to further civic interests and to co-operate with the Chamber of Commerce in the development of a community.

The movement for the organization is in charge of a number of our most prominent citizens and it will be a most representative organization in every particular.

## INSURANCE CASE MAY CONTINUE REST OF WEEK

The case of Paulina Smith vs. the Northern Assurance Company of London which has been on trial here for fourteen days, will probably continue the rest of the week according to officials of the court. This is the longest case which has been tried here for some time.

The St. Louis Court of Appeals has confirmed the judgment of the Audrain Circuit Court in the case of Cyrus F. Clark vs. J. E. King which was tried here in September 1919. The court rendered a judgment of \$1,997.50 for the plaintiff in this case which was a suit over a contract.

Henry S. Rodgers and Carl Bowers of Vandalia pled guilty in the Audrain Circuit Court to the charge of selling cigarettes to minors and was fined \$10 and costs.

The case of John W. Creed vs. the Wabash Railroad, a suit for damages, and the case of Mary Rickards vs. Hay Bell Kirk, a suit over a note, have been continued to the June term of court.

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES TO STUDY MISSIONS

Beginning April first, the new church year, the Sunday schools of the Southern Presbyterian church will make a special study of Japan and foreign mission work to be done in that country. This course of study will occupy the entire church year under a plan arranged some years ago known as the "Seven Year Plan of Missionary Education." The quota for the Sunday schools for the coming year for foreign missions is placed at \$60,000 and special foreign mission Sundays will be May 28th and October 29th.

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only one he will give in America this year.

The fact that Mexico is getting to be a musical center is shown by the fact that members of Phi Mu Alpha, the musical organization which brings a number of artists to Columbia every winter, complimented Mr. May on the fine artists' course which had been given in Mexico this season and acknowledged that it was better than theirs although Columbia has been having an artists' course under the auspices of this organization for the last fifteen years.

## The Dairy Interests

A large creamery and ice cream factory will be established in Mexico within a short time. It is a branch of one of the largest concerns of its kind in the state.

This should prove of inestimable value toward the stimulation of interest in dairying in Audrain county. They are going to demand a large amount of cream and this coupled with Mexico's already increased requirements will make a splendid market for the farmers.

Farmers in Audrain should put the best of dairy cattle on their farms. It is a fact that during the recent depression those sections of the country where dairying was a big business they did not suffer from the depressed conditions.

Let us make Audrain a dairy county also.

*L. Mitchell White*

## FARM CLUB NEWS

### FARM CLUB MEETINGS (Send us your dates)

CEDAR GROVE FARM CLUB—Every Thursday night.

BEAVER DAM FARM CLUB—Every Friday night.

Molino meets every other Friday night.

CANADA—Meets first Monday night each month at 7:30. W. H. Batterson Secretary.

MACEDONIA—First and third Wednesdays.

PISGAH—First and third Tuesdays.

FINE—First and third Mondays.

DANIEL—First and third Tuesdays.

FOX—First and third Friday nights. D. Miller, President, John O'Brien, Secretary.

PAYNE—Every second and fourth Friday nights.

OAK GROVE—Third Monday night of each month.

ELM BEND—First Monday night of each month.

GATEWOOD—President Lewis Callaway, secretary P. L. McGee.

BENTON CITY—Starting February 9th meets Thursday night every two weeks.

LIBERTY—Meets First and Third Wednesday evening of each month. Lon Smith, president; Martellus Barnes, sec'y.

PAYNE—Second and fourth Friday nights.

JACKSON, 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights.

HICKORY GROVE—Every other Wednesday night. Carver Brown, President, Carl Renner, secretary.

CORNETT—Every other Friday night. Curtis Houchin, president; Sherman Howell, secretary.

CAUTHORN—Second and fourth Friday nights. L. J. Gollon, president; W. J. Kennedy, secretary.

The Benton City farmers' club meets twice a month at the school house.

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(Questions suggested for Discussion)

Should Audrain's corn acreage be reduced?

What changes, if any should be made in the Constitution of Missouri?

Would the proposed Great Lakes Ocean Waterway be of benefit to the farmers of the Middle West?

Is the County Unit school law a desirable and workable law?

Should Congress turn over the Muscle Shoals project to Henry Ford for the purpose of manufacturing fertilizers?

Send in an account of discussions of any questions and conclusions reached, this is of interest to all.

Two most important legal cases come up in the near future and the decisions reached will mean much to the farmers of the country. One is against the boycotting tactics of the members of the St. Louis Livestock Exchange, and the other against the law fostered by the M. F. A. and passed at the last General Assembly which declared a Board of trade to be a public market.

The first case is the first complaint to be made under the Packers and Stockyards Act passed by Congress last Fall. About the time the Farm Clubs opened their Live Stock Commission house at the National Stock Yards last November the members of the Exchange held a meeting and agreed upon and adopted a policy or common plan to hamper, obstruct and prevent, by coercion or intimidation, buyers from making purchases of the Farmers Com. Co. This agreement took the form of their refusing to sell stock to butchers and dealers who might occasionally make purchases from the farmers company, the crowding of the allies so that the farmers stock would be last to the scales, and also circulating false and

misleading reports as to the efficiency of the Farmers' marketing service. Secretary of Agriculture, Henry Wallace, in whose hands the enforcement of the packer and stockyard act is placed, has declared that the above tactics of the old line commission companies must cease and it remains to be seen what power the government has in compelling a square deal in these things.

The second case is an attempt of the Kansas City Board of Trade to try to knock out the "public market" law, and they started legal proceedings as the result of the Farmers Union of Kansas establishing a grain commission firm on the above Board of Trade under the provisions of this law. Other board of trade men are in on this deal, however the farmers have such able lawyers as Judge Mayers, Senator Reed, and his law partner, Mr. Harvey, to defend their case so that it is guaranteed that the Boards of Trade will have a run for their money. The results in this case will determine whether Boards of Trade are a "law unto themselves" or whether they are subject to public regulation.

Seventy-seven head of hogs were shipped to market March 16 by the Producers' Grain Company. The shipment which totaled 17,855 pounds, brought \$10.30.

The shipment March 20 was 173 hogs, totaling 33,090. The price for this shipment has not yet been reported.

The Farm Club organizations around Clark have decided to build a \$2,500 poultry and feed exchange.

The Liberty Women's Progressive Farm Club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Lovinger and daughter. Eighteen of the twenty-five members were present.

A very interesting program was conducted by the president, Mrs. Berry. One of the principal things decided was the plan to canvass the district for members, it being the aim to make this a 100 per cent W. P. F. C.

Following the business period committee chairman presided and a very instructive query box was conducted giving everyone an opportunity to present their problems. The resolutions presented by the Cedar Grove Farm Club regarding the \$60,000,000 road bond issues were discussed and adopted unanimously.

Last but not least important feature of these meetings, which are proving so helpful to us in so many ways, there is something good put on by the entertainment committee, helping to make the members feel as they take their departure that the last meeting is even better than the one before.

Sec. of the Liberty W. P. F. C.

The plans of the Central Producers Grain Co., to increase their stock from \$20,000 to \$30,000 by popular subscription is meeting with favor at the various Farm Club meetings. In 1921 the company handled 284 cars of live stock, 67 cars of feed and coal and 29 cars of grain. Farmers around Central received \$336,487.26 for live stock. The total sales for the year, including grain, feed, coal and fertilizer, amounted to \$1,200,226.15. The firm does a great deal of business with the Farmers' Live Stock Commission Co., in St. Louis, having shipped seventy cars there since its inauguration.

Prosperity Tales.

What big stories of prosperity you hear from other towns! The farther away an oil well is located the bigger the flow.—Atchison Globe.

## McMILLAN TEAM WINS FIRST THREE GAMES

(From Saturday's Evening Ledger) The basket ball team of McMillan High School has won the first three games which it has played in the tournament at Columbia Friday and Saturday with the following scores. Armstrong High School Friday afternoon 52 to 22; Bellflower Friday night 25 to 22; Chaffee High School Saturday morning 24 to 22. The local team met Fayette High School at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The teams taking part in the tournament were divided into two divisions according to size, McMillan being placed in the second division composed of schools with an enrollment of less than 350. Individual gold medals will be given to the members of the winning team in each class and silver medals for the runner-ups. Two cups will be given in each division and the winner of the play-off Saturday night will win the state-title cup. This cup has been held by Northeast High School of Kansas City since winning the tournament last year.

A victory over Fayette will secure the Class B Championship for McMillan. The local school has already defeated Fayette twice this season.

The other game played Saturday afternoon was between Northeast High School and Central High Schools of Kansas City and the winner of this game will play the winner of the Fayette-McMillan game for the state title Saturday night.

The delegation of supporters which accompanied the McMillan team is among the largest present at the tournament.

McMillan High School lost to Fayette High School by a score of 32 to 26 Saturday afternoon in the finals in Class B at the basket ball tournament held at Columbia of high schools from all over the state.

Kansas City Central High School won the state championship and the Class A finals. The score in the game played Saturday night between Fayette and Kansas City Central was 65 to 7. Kansas City Central has had the Thomas E. Wilson Sporting Goods Co. championship cup, which is awarded to the state champion since last year. Kansas City Northeast High School was the competitor of Kansas City Central in the Class A finals.

L. V. Brown of Kansas City refereed the final game of the tournament and the other games were under the supervision of Whacker, Brown, Bond and Ruby.

A large number of McMillan students went to Columbia Friday and saw the entire tournament and their number was increased by students who left Saturday at noon.

J. T. Angus, the McMillan coach, who accompanied the team said that the players were completely worn out by the time of Fayette game and lost on that account. In the three preceding games, the local team played brilliantly only to go down in defeat before a team which it had already defeated twice this season.

But although McMillan failed to win honors at Columbia, the school has a team which it may well be proud of one which has made a splendid record during the season which just closed.

Mrs. Thomas Taylor Dies. MARTINSBURG, Mo., March 21. Mrs. Mary Taylor, wife of Thomas Taylor, died here early Monday. Mrs. Taylor was born in England in 1845. She came to the United States with her parents in 1848 and settled in St. Louis. She was married to Thomas Taylor in St. Louis in 1869 and came with her husband to Martinsburg in 1889, where they have since lived. She is survived by her husband and seven children: Mrs. James Peery, Mrs. James Diggs, Ralph Taylor and L. N. Taylor of Martinsburg, Dave Taylor of Rannels, Ia., Claud Taylor of Gilmore, Mo., and Clarence Taylor of Peery, Ia.

FORMER RESIDENT OF MEXICO DIES IN HOSPITAL AT FULTON

John Burns, for many years a resident of Mexico, died at the State Hospital at Fulton Tuesday night. Death was the result of old age. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Thursday in Mexico.

Miss Mary Lee Burks is quite sick.

H. C. Lawrence of Farber came to Mexico Saturday.

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## W. J. CREASEY DIES THURSDAY AT HOSPITAL

William J. Creasey was seriously hurt about 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon when a team owned by R. L. Larkin became frightened and ran south from the hitch rack on Washington Street colliding with Mr. Creasey's buggy.

Mr. Larkin had untied his team and as he got into the buggy the team became frightened and ran south. Mr. Creasey was getting into a buggy driven by his son and as he placed his foot on the step, Mr. Larkin's team collided with the rear of Mr. Creasey's buggy. Mr. Creasey was thrown under the wheels and the vehicle passed over him. He was taken into Llewellyn's Drug Store and a physician called. He was then taken to Audrain Hospital and it was found that several ribs and his shoulder bone were broken and his head severely cut in several places.

W. J. Creasey, 80 years old, who was injured by a runaway team in Mexico Wednesday afternoon died at the Audrain Hospital Thursday night.

Mr. Creasey was born in Audrain County, three miles west of Mexico and has spent his entire life in the county. At the time of his death he was living at the home of his son H. H. Creasey within a mile of the place where he was born.

Mr. Creasey was an early settler of the county and was a man who had the love of a large circle of friends and who commanded the respect of his enemies.

He is survived by two sons, J. W. Creasey and H. H. Creasey, a brother, J. A. Creasey of Blackwell, Okla., and a number of nieces and nephews.

Early in life he united with the Hopewell Baptist Church which is the oldest church of that faith in the county and was a loyal member of the organization until the time of his death.

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Baptist Church conducted by the Rev. J. S. Jesse.

The Ledger extends deepest sympathy to the friends and relatives.

## DR. T. H. WINANS DIES FRIDAY IN COLORADO

Dr. T. H. Winans, formerly of Mexico, died suddenly in Colorado Springs Thursday afternoon.

Dr. Winans was born in the state of New York seventy years ago. He came to Missouri about forty years ago and taught school in South Missouri for several years, after which he attended a school of homeopathy in Chicago and came to Mexico where he practiced his profession for about thirty years. He suffered with asthma and moved to Colorado two years ago thinking the climate would be beneficial to his health.

He is survived by his wife and six children. They are: Theodore and Gibson Winans of Colorado Springs; Mrs. Lester Miller of Mexico; Mrs. Carter Norris of Fulton; Edwin Winans a student in the University of Missouri at Columbia and Lawrence Winans of Texas.

The funeral was held Monday at Colorado Springs.

Dr. Winans will be remembered by a large number of persons of Mexico as a loyal friend and a man who was never too busy to have time to help those who needed aid. The news of his death will be regretted by all those who knew him.

The Ledger extends sincere sympathy to the relatives.

Vandalia Couple Marry Here. Albert Alford and Gretchen Green, both of Vandalia were married at the Presbyterian Manse at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon by the Rev. A. A. Wallace.

large package, postpaid. Money with T. J. Bates of Hatton was a Mexico visitor Monday.

F. R. Wyatt of Laddonia and A. W. Becker of Fulton came to Mexico Saturday.

Mrs. Morris Keith is visiting her mother in Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Robertson have returned from a visit south.

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## CHARLIE WATTS PAROLED FOR SECOND TIME

Charlie Watts was paroled for the second time in the Audrain Circuit Court Tuesday morning. Watts was sentenced to serve a term in the Penitentiary after pleading guilty to being an accessory after the fact to burglary and larceny, but was paroled by the court on condition that he support his family and not come to Mexico but once a week. The terms of the parole were violated and Watts was again committed to the county jail here. The parole was given Tuesday on condition that he leave Missouri.

The Smith case was on trial for the thirtieth day Tuesday and it cannot be said how long the case may continue as there are still eight of ten witnesses who have not yet gone on the stand. Experts were still testifying Tuesday on the price of furniture in 1920 and 1921.

The court was dismissed at 11 o'clock Wednesday to allow J. C. Diggs, one of the jurors to attend the funeral of a relative in Martinsburg.

The standing jury has been dismissed until Friday.

## COLUMBIA FIRM TO OPEN BRANCH CREAMERY HERE

Representatives of the White Eagle Dairy of Columbia were in Mexico Tuesday making arrangements for the opening of a branch ice cream plant and creamery here. A churn has been ordered which will have a daily capacity of 500 pounds of butter.

The business of this concern will be wholesale exclusively and will mean a big thing for the farmers of this section of the country by giving them a bigger market for their cream.

## EIGHT PLEDGED TO PHI THETA KAPPA AT HARDIN

Eight students of Hardin College have been pledged to Alpha Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, honor sorority of junior colleges which corresponds to Phi Beta Kappa in four year college. The pledging of the following girls was announced Tuesday.

Dorothy Allison, Florence, Kas.; Gladys Foster, Parsons, Kas.; Mabel Lewis, Sedalia; Helen Strahler, Sedalia; Lucile Craycraft, Jackson; Elizabeth White and Nellie Vaughn of Mexico; and Mabel Cole of Lawton, Okla.

The present membership of the sorority includes Mary E. Hawkins, Mabel Motley, Eliza Martin and Mabel and Myrtle Raith.

Membership in Phi Theta Kappa is the highest honor which a junior college can bestow.

## MOTHER OF MEXICO WOMAN DIES SATURDAY

Mrs. Caroline Rodgers, mother of Mrs. J. W. Perkins of Mexico died at the home of her son, John P. Rodgers, Jr., Saturday. The funeral was held Monday at Bellflower.

Mrs. Rodgers was 84 years old and had been quite frail for a number of years. She was born in Indiana and came to Mexico in the early fifties with her husband who has been dead a number of years. She is survived by three children: Mrs. Mary Hudson and John P. Perkins of Bellflower and Mrs. J. W. Perkins of Mexico.

The Ledger extends sympathy to the relatives.

Louis Hechler of Vandalia spent Thursday in Mexico.

James K. Mathela of Vandalia was in Mexico on business Thursday.